

Nothing can overcome French polit-

ness. Commandant Lichstein, who

represented the president of the French

Republic at the Yorktown Centennial,

suffered severely while here from rheu-

matism, had a fight with a burglar at

Philadelphia, and was finally ordered

home by his physician on account of a

severe bronchial affliction. Yet before

leaving he said that his trip to the

United States had been a remarkable

experience of the pleasantest period

of his life.

The popular game of billiards is

likely to receive a check in Indiana from

a late decision of the supreme court of

that state, which declares that any saloon

where the looser pay for a game of

billiards is a gambling house, and its

proprietor liable to prosecution and pun-

ishment under the law against gam-

bling. It is proposed to get around this

decision by having the players divide

the hire of the table and each pay for his

own whisky and cigars. But that would

make a very dull game of billiards. It

is the sake—the

ports and of the table—that gives

weight to the players, as they can

gamble, guzzle and puff at the expense

of the lower and not violate the rules

of "society."

The Quincy (Ill.) Herald is at it

again, in the defense of Gutieau, and

the editor is repeating the same old

language in reference to Garfield:

"We stand by our record. James A.

Garfield was a bad man living, and he

is a bad man now. He was a bad man

when he was alive, and he is a bad

man now. We believe his soul was shot into hell

by a assassin's bullet."

The reports show that the double

murder last year was done in Illinois

on the subject of slavery. Yet this

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A NEW STATE.

It is announced that Dakota will

be admitted to the Union as a state this

winter. No part of the state is yet

developed, or is receiving a greater

influx of population, and there seems

to be no reason why this prosperous

territory should not be developed into

the habitations and dignity of a full

member of the Union. Its admission

may be resisted on political grounds,

as one of the present Congress

gent, energetic and progressive

people, will be apt to send two

Republican senators to Washing-

ton, thus giving that party the

power, again, but we appreciate

the political reason cannot be

kept out. The census enumeration

of 1880 gave Dakota a population

of 135,180. Unquestionably this

number has been largely increased

since the last census, and the popu-

lation is now near 175,000. Many

of the old states do not have as

great a number of inhabitants at

the time of their admission to the

Union. The census of 1880

showed that only 6,000,000 inhab-

itants; Missouri, 60,000; Arkansas,

97,000; Mississippi, 75,000; Tennessee,

100,000; Florida, 95,000; the Carolinas,

Oregon, Nevada and Arizona also

had a smaller number of inhabitants

when admitted as states.

The growth of Dakota since it was